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Enclosed is a RESPONSE in reply to the Office Action mailed March 29, 1999 in the subject application.

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This Response is in reply to the Final Office Action mailed March 29, 1999 in the subject application.

REMARKS

The applicants appreciate the Examiner's thorough examination of the application and request reexamination and reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks.

Claim 57 stands rejected under 35 USC §102 as being anticipated by Abraham.

However, rejection for anticipation or lack of novelty requires, as the first step in the inquiry, that all the elements of the claimed invention be described in a single reference. In re Spada, 15 USPQ2d 1655, 1657 (CAFC 1990).